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REMARKS

Summary of Changes Made

The undersigned attorneys thank Examiner Padgett for her time via telephone in recent days.

Claims 18 and 19 have been amended to fully independent form incorporating all limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. As amended, each of claims 18 and 19 positively recites the presence of "crystal seed powder" and "metal and metal oxide materials." Claims 1-17 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly claims 18 and 19 (2 claims) remain pending in the application.

Claim Objections 37 C.F.R. 1.75(c)

Claims 18 and 19 were objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. The Examiner will note that claims 18 and 19 have been amended to fully independent form. Claims 18 and 19 each positively recite the presence of "crystal seed powder" and "metal and metal oxide materials," because the ranges of those ingredients do not include zero.

It is believed that the amendments to claims 18 and 19, both (1) comply with a requirement set forth in the Office Action of July 19, 2005 (37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b), (2) present rejected claims in better condition for appeal (37 C.F.R. § 1.116(c)), and (3) rewrite dependent claims in independent form (37 C.F.R. § 41.33 (b)(2)), all of which are reasons for the submission and acceptance of an amendment after final into the record.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103(a) (Heyman/Axtell/ Boaz)

Claims 1-2 and 7-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Heyman et al U.S. 4,327,283 ("Heyman") in view of Axtell III, et al, U.S. 6,238,847 ("Axtell") in further view of Boaz U.S. 4,477,486 ("Boaz").

The Examiner will note that claims 1-17 have been canceled, thus rendering the rejection of claims 1-2 and 7-16 moot.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103(a) (Heyman/Axtell/Boaz/Sakoske)

Claims 7 and 16-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over

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Heyman in view of Axtell in further view of Boaz and in further view of Sakoske U.S. 5,783,507 ("Sakoske").

The Examiner will note that claims 1-17 have been canceled, thus rendering the rejection of claims 7 and 16-17 moot.

The Examiner will note that claims 18 and 19 have been amended. Claims 18 and 19 each positively recite the presence of "crystal seed powder" and "metal and metal oxide materials," because the ranges of those ingredients do not include zero. Further, the cited combination of Heyman, Axtell, Boaz and Sakoske fails to disclose or suggest a method of providing indicia on a piece of automotive glass comprising: screen printing the automotive glass with a single layer of material having a thickness to form a coating on the glass, wherein said material comprises from about 35 to about 75 weight percent glass frit, from about 5 to about 40 weight percent pigment, from about 10 to about 40 weight percent printing medium, crystal seed powder, selected from the group consisting of bismuth silicate, zinc silicate, and zinc borate, and combinations thereof, provided the amount does not exceed about 25 weight percent, and metal and metal oxide materials, provided the amount does not exceed about 10 weight percent, laser ablating a portion of the coating using a laser, to provide the indicia on the automotive glass, wherein at least a portion of the thickness of the coating is removed during the laser ablating, firing the automotive glass, and applying a forming pressure to the glass to bend the glass during firing.

Hence, it is respectfully submitted that claim 18 is patentable over all cited prior art.

Because claim 19 recites the same subject matter as claim 18, albeit with narrower ingredient ranges, it is similarly asserted that claim 19 is patentable.

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CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the present amendment be entered into the record. A Notice of Allowance for claims 18 and 19, as amended, is earnestly solicited. If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0160, our Order No. FER-15313.002.

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